

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

Council of the Faculty of Arts and Science

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, May 22, 1990

Present: C.L. Bertrand; M. Yates; B. Harris; P.J. Albert; D. Dicks; S. Ruby; P. Regimbald; G. Valaskakis; J. Appleby; R.A. Long; W. Knitter; H. McQueen; D. Sheps; G. Short; J. Gavin; C. Levy; Z. Hamlet; H.S. deRomer; W.L. Gardiner; R. Perigoe; M. Giguère; A. Planells; M. Brian; R. Sharma; M. Poirier; H. Shulman; C.W. White; C. Davis; I. Robinson; D. Shapiro; J. Drysdale; S. Hoecker-Drysdale; E. Budik.

Regrets: E. Preston; C. Gray.

Absent: P. Kenniff; R. Sheinin; M. Szabo; P. Widden; M. Barlow; G. Decarie; G. Fisher; W. Byers; G. Newsham; C. Potworowski; G. Trudel; G. Szamosi; S. Lanthier-O'Connor; C. Ragaven; J. Browne; B. Cohen; J. Costello; H. Desbarais; R. Dyotte; B. Goodman; R. Gossen; Y.-L. Khoury; B. Leonhardt; T. Powell; D. Linder; H. McLachlan; M. Moser; M. Sullivan; J. Benoit.

Documents considered and distributed at this meeting:

- ASFC 90-4M-A Elections/Ratification - Arts and Science Faculty Committees
- ASFC 90-4M-B Graduate Curriculum Course Changes 1991-92, new programs only - 2 departments (Report 68 G)
- ASFC 90-4M-C Undergraduate Program Evaluation: A Background Report - Dicks (Document ASFC 90-2M-F - ASFC Meeting March 16, 1990); Proposal for a System of Evaluating Undergraduate Programs
- ASFC 90-4M-D Approval of Graduates, Spring 1990

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m. The Dean apologized for the temperature of the room.

2. Approval of Agenda

As there were no corrections or changes to be made, Dr. Bertrand accepted the Agenda as approved.

3. Remarks from the Chair

Dr. Bertrand thanked Dennis Dicks and Gail Valaskakis for their five years of hard, unstinting labour as Vice-Deans. Dennis wore a boutonniere in honour of his last Faculty Council Meeting - for at least a year. The dean noted that they had done heroic work. They were in charge of implementing many of the items passed at Faculty Council during their terms and he wished to register, officially in the minutes, his vote of thanks to them.

4. Approval of Graduation Lists

- 90-4M-1 It was moved and seconded (Davis/Robinson) that the Bachelor of Arts candidates (pages 1-41) be approved.

Changes to "Students not completing requirements of the Bachelor of Arts", beginning on Page 70:

- Ralph Thomas Fitzgerald, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List
- Marc Manes-Maestre, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List
- Bruno René Thibeault, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List

Carried.

- 90-4M-2 It was moved and seconded (Hamlet/Frost) that the Bachelor of Education candidates (pages 42-43) be approved.

Changes to "Students not completing requirements of the Bachelor of Education", beginning on Page 75:

- Theodore Pepelasis, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List

Carried.

- 90-4M-3 It was moved and seconded (deRomer/Albert) that the Bachelor of Science candidates (pages 44-54) be approved.

Changes to "Students not completing requirements of the Bachelor of Science", beginning on Page 76:

- Suzanne Michelle Diamond, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List
- Jay Herman, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List
- Suzanne Paquette, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List - With Distinction, Honours Psycho-Biology
- Francesco Parlati, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List - With Great Distinction, Honours Chemistry
- Sangeeta Verma, grade recorded, to be added to Graduating List

Carried.

**a) Departmental Prizes**

- The Robert C. Rae Book Prize in Applied Social Science - Sharon Prangar, GPA 3.96/42 cr.
- The Canadian Pacific Forest Products Limited Prize for Biology - Pierre Deslandes, 3.90/30 cr.
- The Celanese Canada Ltd. Prize for Chemistry - Francesco Parlati, 4.14/57 cr.
- The Classics Book Prize - Sandra Elizabeth Verenieks, 4.20/66 cr.
- The John E. O'Brien, S.J. Medal for Communication Studies - Malcolm James Worth, 3.94/60 cr.
- The Sun Life Prize in Economics - James David, 3.85/63 cr.
- The Education Book Prize - Karine Vrancken, 3.69/45 cr.
- The Celanese Canada Ltd. Prize for English - Jason Evan Camlot, 4.07/54 cr.
- The Exercise Science Plaque - Stephane Simard, 4.06/63 cr.
- The French Book Prize - Wendy Conniber, 3.98/57 cr.
- The Bogdan Zaborski Medal in Geography - Maureen McAfee, 3.83/51 cr.
- The André Deland Medal for Geology - Jeffrey Dean Best, 3.21/63 cr.
- The Martin Lewis Memorial Book Prize in History - Name to come
- The Interdisciplinary Studies Medal - Daniel Winer, 3.89/45 cr.
- The Gordon Fisher Prize for Journalism (Undergraduate Studies) - Christina Lawand, 3.74/36 cr.
- The Leisure Studies Medal - Arleen Boyer Fontaine, 3.37/75 cr.
- The Liberal Arts College Prize - James William Champagne, College Prizes do not calculate GPA's
- The Library Studies Plaque - Monica Frances Smith, 3.49/45
- The Lonergan University College Prize - No Suitable Candidate
- The Eric O'Connor Mathematics Medal - Josée Dupuis, 4.29/66 cr.
- The Modern Languages and Linguistics Plaque - Maria Espirito Santo Ponté, 3.45/69 cr.
- The W.R. Fraser Medal for Philosophy - Linda Farmer, 3.97/60 cr.



The Walter Raudorf Medal for Physics - Ted Szylowiec, 3.67/66  
 The Renée Vautelet Prize for Political Science - Alicia Celia Klein, 3.92/39  
 The J.W. Bridges Medal for Psychology - Louis-Eric Trudeau, 4.14/63 cr.  
 The Boyd Sinyard Prize for Religion - Judith Asher, 3.48/51 cr.  
 The School of Community and Public Affairs Prize - Theodora Samiotis  
 The Science College Prize - Louis-Eric Trudeau, 4.14/63 cr.  
 The Everett C. Hughes Medal for Sociology and Anthropology - J. Adrienne Alexander, 4.17/63 cr.  
 The Theological Studies Medal - Janet Catherine Doutre, 3.55/69 cr.  
 The Thérèse F. Casgrain Medal for Women's Studies - Jeanne Ann Corrigan, 3.67/39 cr.

**b) Degree Prizes**

The Birks Medal - B.A. - Andrea Nucci, GPA of 4.22/90 cr., Major in Psychology  
 The Anne Stokes Medal - B.Ed. - Linda Gold, GPA 3.93/69 cr.  
 The Mappin Medal - B.Sc. - Michel Dionne, GPA 4.25/92 cr., Honours in Actuarial Mathematics

**90-4M-4** It was moved and seconded (Knitter/Levy) to approve the Department and University Prize candidates.

Carried.

**90-4M-5** It was moved and seconded (Levy/Perigoe) that the Graduate Program Candidates (pages 55-65) be approved.

Changes to "Pending", beginning on Page 79:

- John William Gilbert, Student Request Approved - to be added to Graduating List
- Izabella Brodowska, Degreee Certification received - to be added to Graduating List
- Ramon Paul Lepage, grade sheet and Degree Certification received - to be added to Graduating List
- Jocelyne Mary Clarke, Degree Certification received - to be added to Graduating List
- Nancy Worsfold, Degree Certification received - to be added to Graduating List

Carried.**Graduate Prizes:**

The Edward Eastman McCullough M.A. History Award - Not informed of name

The Gordon Fisher Prize for Journalism (Graduate Diploma Program) - Anne Carrol

The Julius and Ilka Ekler Book Prize in Judaic Studies - Not Being Offered

The Nishith Mukerji Medal for M.Sc. Physics (Thesis Option) - René Francis

The Herbert F. Quinn Medal for Political Science - Not informed of name

- 90-4M-6      It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Gavin) to accept the Graduate Prize candidates.

Carried.

- 90-4M-7      It was moved and seconded (Levy/Hamlet) that the Certificate candidates (pages 66-69) be approved.

Changes to "Students not completing requirements for the Certificate in T.E.S.L.: Sequence I and II", beginning on Page 81:

- Joan Armstrong-Machnik, Student Request approved and change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Nicole C.H. Finet, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Sylvia Marshall-Wees, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Jill E. Poggi, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Allan Shatz, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Mary Margaret Ann Wilcox, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List
- Randall Lynn Wright, change of grade received, to be added to Graduating List

Carried.

The Dean appointed a "loose-ends" committee for Spring Convocation 1990. Dr. Sylvia Ruby, Mr. Ray Martin and Professor Ross Perigoe agreed to serve in order to ensure that the students who were on the "pending" list had their grades submitted for graduation.

5. Election/Ratification - Arts and Science Faculty Committees

Arts and Science Faculty Curriculum Committee:

Professor Mary Brian (Centre for Mature Students and Department of Mathematics and Statistics)

Elected by Acclamation

Arts and Science Faculty Committee on the Status of Women:

Dr. William Gilsdorf (Communication Studies)

Dr. Rosemarie Schade (History)

Dr. Sherry Simon (Etudes Françaises)

Elected by Acclamation

Mr. Peter Regimbald, Director of the Liaison Office, agreed to serve as Election Scrutineer. Dr. Bertrand thanked Mr. Regimbald for agreeing to do this.

Arts and Science Faculty Panel (Academic Regulations Regarding Cheating:

Dr. Raymond Zienius (Chemistry and Biochemistry)

Professor Joanne Locke (Library Studies)

Dr. Dallas Laskey (Philosophy)

Elected by Secret Ballot

Arts and Science Faculty Committee on General Education:

Dr. Lazlo Gefin (English)

Professor Marlene Giguère (Library Studies)

Elected by Acclamation

One other committee member still to be found.

Arts and Science Faculty Committee to Supervise Elections:

Professor Harold Angell (Political Science)

Dr. Effi Gavaki (Sociology and Anthropology)

Dr. Kaylan Mukherji (Geology)

Elected by Acclamation

**Arts and Science Faculty Appeal Committee (Regulations Regarding Academic Re-evaluation):**

Student Names to be ratified in September.

**Arts and Science Faculty Honours Committee:**

Dr. Patricia Thornton (Geography)

Dr. Gerald Dewey (Sociology and Anthropology)

Elected by Acclamation

**Arts and Science Part-Time Faculty Elections Committee:**

We are awaiting nominations from the Part-Time Faculty Members.

**Arts and Science Faculty Student Request Committee:**

Professor Joanne Locke (Library Studies)

Elected by Secret Ballot

**University Senate:**

Dr. Alex Newell (English)

Professor John Macauley (English - P-T faculty)

Dr. Charles White (Psychology)

Dr. Elaine Newman (Biology)

Elected by Secret Ballot

**Academic Programmes Committee of Senate:**

Dr. Gerald Auchinache

Elected by Acclamation

**Academic Services Committee of Senate:**

Dr. D. Fairbairn (Biology)

Elected by Secret Ballot

**Fellowships, Scholarships and Awards (Sub-Committee of Senate):**

Dr. K. Kusano (Sociology and Anthropology)

Elected by Acclamation

**University Library Committee of Senate:**

Dr. Sushil Misra (Physics)



**Elected by Acclamation**

**Senate Sub-Committee on the University Writing Test:**

Dr. Florence Stevens (Education)

**Elected by Acclamation**

**Board of Graduate Studies:**

Dr. Stanton Hoffman (English)

Dr. Ronald Rudin (History)

**Elected by Acclamation**

**Graduate Awards Committee:**

No nominations.

**Vice-Rector Academic, Ad Hoc Committee on Degree Nomenclature:**

Dr. Katherine Waters (English)

**Elected by Secret Ballot**

6. **Graduate Curriculum Course Changes 1991-92, new programs only**  
**2 Departments (Report 68 G) (Document ASFC 90-4M-B)**

Dr. Dicks presented the two new graduate program proposals. Dr. Dicks also extended thanks to Ms. Christine Brown for her tireless work and attention to detail. He also thanked the Curriculum Committees from the past five years for their hard work and patience.

1. **Ph.D. in Mathematics**

90-4M-8

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Brian) that Faculty Council approve the proposal for a new Ph.D. in Mathematics.

Dr. Dicks noted that this proposal was a particularly good one. Faculty resources were excellent although library resources were not as good, but he pointed out that this was true of all our proposals. The Math Department's Centre of Excellence proposal to FCAR was accepted, which further added to the strength of this proposal.



Dr. Bertrand was pleased that an inter-university Centre, based at Concordia, had been approved by Quebec City. There were still some details to be worked out but he noted that it was quite unusual to have a Centre approved on its first presentation to FCAR.

Dr. Bertrand congratulated the members of the Centre and the Department of Mathematics and Statistics for exceptional work.

Carried.

2. **M.A. in Applied Social Science; Concentration: Psychoeducational Intervention**

90-4M-8

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Drysdale) that Faculty Council approve the proposal for Master of Arts in Applied Social Science.

Dr. Dicks said that this was a strong proposal for a new Master's program on which the committee and department worked very closely.

Dr. White wanted to know if this program was an innovative one for our faculty.

Dr. Dicks responded that one of the more unusual aspects of this proposal was the offering of concentrated courses. The committee was satisfied that there was enough contact class time involved. There would be readings to be done before class and projects to complete after. The courses required quite a bit more work than just the contact classroom time.

Dr. White also wished to know if we had other Master degrees without residence requirements.

Dr. Dicks replied that the residence requirement was also somewhat unusual. As the program expected people from all over who would be unable to spend whole terms here on campus, the normal requirements for residency for this particular proposal were waived.

Carried.

7. **Undergraduate Program Evaluation: A Background Report (Document ASFC 90-2M-F); Proposal for a System of Evaluating Undergraduate Programs (Document ASFC 90-4M-C)**

90-4M-9 It was moved and seconded (Drysdale/Hoecker-Drysdale) that Faculty Council approve Document ASFC 90-4M-C (Proposal for a System of Evaluating Undergraduate Programs) with the following changes:

On Page 6 under Basic Procedure, Committee would be constituted as follows:

- (1) Chair, Dean or Vice-Dean
- (2) pedagogical consultant
- (3) 2 faculty members elected by and from the unit
- (4) 1 student, appointed by the unit's student association or by CUSA

On Page 2, Faculty Merit/CDI should be deleted from the diagram;

AND, that the exercise should be undertaken with respect to two departments only, as a pilot study, in the first year. After that a report would be made to the Council and Council would decide whether to proceed on a faculty-wide basis.

Professor Sheps wanted to know if it mattered which program the student was from and Dr. Drysdale responded that Steering Committee felt it did not matter if the student was from the unit itself or appointed by CUSA.

Dr. Hoecker-Drysdale noted that in the spirit of the discussion at Steering Committee and the motion itself, it would be preferable if the student were from the department or unit rather than appointed arbitrarily by CUSA.

Professor Sheps agreed.

Dr. Drysdale pointed out that the only reason it was not stated as "from the unit" was that in many departments the students have no student organization and in those cases flexibility was required to have a student appointed in some other way.

Professor Shulman asked whether the Colleges, as the only undergraduate units ever evaluated in this university were approached for their reactions to the pitfalls and advantages of this type of activity.

Dean Bertrand responded that some undergraduate programs were evaluated in 1981/82. As the committee would be chaired by the Dean or a Vice-Dean, his point was received and would be noted.

Dr. Shapiro wondered about the follow-up procedure.

Dr. Dicks noted that the committee looked back at previous attempts at evaluations. The minutes of Council at that time showed up some of the problems, especially with confused debate. The upshot was that Council cancelled the whole exercise and this new process was largely an attempt to avoid that kind of problem again - the floor of Council not being a very good place to discuss reports which are largely technical in nature. However, there was the safeguard that if there were changes to be implemented as a result of these reports, they would have to come through Council.

Dean Bertrand commented that whatever the art of presentation might be, initiating some sort of evaluation of the undergraduate programs was done in the context of the overall planning process going on in the Faculty of Arts and Science. He drew Council's attention to the fact that the first official round of planning resulted in a document concentrated rather heavily on the graduate side of our educational process and pointed out that it was obvious as we move towards a second formal document of planning that some concentration should go to the undergraduate side, but in a constructive way.

He assured Council that this exercise was not intended in any way to cause pain and difficulty for departments but rather to give departments opportunities to assess what they were doing from their perspective with the help of an outside expert in higher education. Curriculum changes, program changes or structural changes would be brought forward to Council by the department. Council would have an opportunity to debate those.

A report for information would be useful to Council but the actual decision-making power of Council would concentrate not on the report but rather on whatever changes came out of the report.

Carried.

8. Other Business

No other business.

9. Next Meeting

In September - exact time and date to be announced.

The Dean wished every one a pleasant and productive summer.

10. Adjournment

90-4M-10 It was moved and seconded (Albert/Sheps) that the meeting be adjourned at 11:02 a.m.